## **Rocky Mountain**

**National Park** 



# **Environmental Education Internship, Winter/Spring 2013**

Rocky Mountain National Park has an active education and outreach program focused on non-traditional Park users and school aged children. Interns assist park staff with the development and administration of this program.



#### **Area Information**

Rocky Mountain National Park is located 70 miles northwest of Denver and consists of 415 square miles of high mountain scenery carved and sculpted by glaciers. Wildlife includes elk, bighorn sheep, coyotes, mountain lions, marmots, pikas, black bears and a variety of birds. Trail Ridge Road, the highest continuous paved road in the U.S. provides access to the alpine tundra while connecting the east and west sides of the park. There are over 355 miles of trails within the park and the park is managed as wilderness.

#### Qualifications

Rocky Mountain National Park seeks interns of exceptional ability, who think and act creatively, who have demonstrated communication and problem solving skills, and who are fully computer literate. Candidates must be dedicated to and experienced with learner-centered education with children.

It is recommended that the candidate be actively pursuing a career in environmental education, interpretation, or general education. Personality should include flexibility, a warm disposition, and the ability to handle the stress of children in stride. This is an excellent entrylevel opportunity.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

Duties include preparing and facilitating environmental education activities at schools and in the field, to a variety of diverse audiences. Also assisting with teacher workshops, record keeping, preparing informational materials. Majority of field programs will be leading snowshoe winter ecology and mountain safety hikes.

About 80% of work occurs outdoors at elevations of 7,800 feet to 12,000 feet often in extreme weather including cold, snow and high winds. Programs are physically active lasting from 2 to 5 hours. Moderate hiking is required. Valid driving license required.

### Dates of Service Benefits

**January 7– May 31, 2013** 

Commitment is forty hours/week. Stipend is \$900/mo. + housing + uniform

## Application Procedures

Application documents are:

- 1. Detailed resume listing education, work experience and other interests.
- 2. Three references
- 3. A cover letter

For further information, contact: Mark De Gregorio 970-586-3777 Mail or email completed application to: Environmental Education Internship Attn: Mark De Gregorio

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**Application deadline: November 2, 2012**